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REMARKS

Claims 26-32 remain in the application. Claims 1-25 are cancelled. Claims 26-29 are amended.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the statement that claims 30-32 are allowed and that claims 26, 28 and 29 would be allowed if amended into independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 26, 28 and 29 are so amended. Applicants submit that the amended claims are therefore allowable.

As originally filed, claim 27 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 on the basis of U.S. Patent 4,028,455 to Ueda. Claim 27 is amended to depend from allowed claim 26. Applicant submits that claim 27 is now allowable.

In view of the above amendments, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance. A notice to that effect is earnestly and respectfully requested.

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